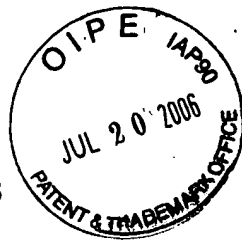


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AMENDMENT

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The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the non-final
Office Action dated January 26, 2006.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of
claims in the application.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.